

The two faced off at Dignity Health Sports Park in Carson on July 13, 2019 for the titles of NABF Super Bantamweight and the WBA Super Bantamweight Champion. In an ending that could be written for a movie, Ronny completed his comeback and achieved his dream of a world title with a 6-round knockout of De La Hoya, who suffered his first loss.

With this win, Ronny was crowned the NABF Super Bantamweight Title and the WBA Super Bantamweight Champion. Ronny Rios has truly made Santa Ana and America proud. Please join me in recognizing world boxing champion and my constituent, Ronny Rios.

HIGHLIGHTING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE MANUFACTURING LEADERSHIP ACT

HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

Mr. REED. Madam Speaker, I rise today to express my support for the Manufacturing USA Programs, the Manufacturing Institutes and their role in advancing U.S. Manufacturing.

These programs are the only ones of their kind in this country designed to bring business partners together in full collaboration, built to foster communities of innovators and entrepreneurs, and equipped to move specific new technologies into the manufacturing mainstream. We need these types of communities to propel advanced manufacturing out of the research labs and into the marketplace. The United States is a global leader in scientific and engineering research, but we are lagging in taking that research into the marketplace. The Manufacturing USA program has shown that the time to market can be greatly reduced in the right environment.

In the four short years of their existence, 14 Manufacturing Institutes have entered separate technology areas key to our future competitiveness. The partners in these institutes contribute matching funds equal to or greater than the government share. At the end of 2017, the matching funds were already being invested at \$1.50 for every \$1 investment from the federal government, speaking to the enthusiasm of the industry participation.

More importantly, 844 manufacturing firms and 297 educational institutions were participating in the collective institutes along with 150 other entities, such as state and local governments.

In the years since that report, the Manufacturing USA program has reached a spending match of \$2 for every \$1 of federal funding, with 1,300 member organizations across the institutes, supporting 270 major collaborative industry-led R&D projects, and offered training opportunities for more than 200,000 people.

As a result, global competition in the manufacturing sector is growing tremendously. Several of our international competitors have focused government-supported efforts to develop their industrial sectors and commercialization strategies.

The European Union's Horizon 2020 program invested 80 billion Euros in funding over 7 years and a follow-on program is in development.

Germany's Fraunhofer Society, established in 1949, currently includes 72 institutes fo-

cused on applied research and development across various technology domains relevant to manufacturing. In 2017, the Fraunhofer Society budget totaled about \$2.6 billion, with about \$2.25 billion in contract research. 30 percent of this budget comes from government funds, and 70 percent from private.

China has set advancing manufacturing as one of their six top priorities and is on the path to opening 40 manufacturing institutes by 2025. The country is following the plan set by the Manufacturing USA program.

Korea (a country less than 1/6 the size of the USA) is spending \$291M on the Korea Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT), established in 1989 to strengthen their small and mid-sized manufacturing base.

The list goes on: Japan, Singapore, the UK, and others are all heavily investing in manufacturing.

This is why The Manufacturing USA program is so important—because it is our best effort to respond strategically as a nation to this mounting competition. The program allows the United States to focus its resources on high-value industries and ensure future leadership around the globe.

In December 2017, the White House published a National Security Strategy of the United States which states, "Economic security is national security" and calls out the need to lead in research, technology, invention, and innovation.

In response, the National Institute of Standards and Technology reached out to our countrymen and women and reported on how we can better come together as a country and make use of our government investments. They reported 5 strategies to transfer the results of Federal research and development investments to the benefit of our country's commercial, economic, and national security interests. This report is the most extensive of its kind to explore the value of Federal US research investments.

Furthermore, the Manufacturing USA program is uniquely positioned to address and is addressing the following 4 strategies: Private sector engagement, Entrepreneurial workforce, Tools and services for technology transfer, and Understanding of global science and technology trends and benchmarks.

The groundwork for this program has been laid. The strategy for supporting our industrial base and securing our economic future has been thought through. We must continue our support for this program to safeguard our continued prosperity. I urge you all to support this bill to extend the term of federal funding for the Manufacturing USA program and to expand on the government-private partnerships operating under the program.

DICK PHILLIPS RECEIVES LEADERSHIP AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dick Phillips for being named a recipient of the Stan C. Stanley "Eagle" Leadership and Economic Development Award.

The Stan Stanley awards recognize a volunteer and elected official who have done their

part to inspire leadership and economic growth in the Katy area. Mr. Phillips, University of Houston Vice President of Community Engagement, received the award in the volunteer category. He was crucial in recruiting the University of Houston Victoria and the University of Houston Katy campus to the Katy area. This accomplishment is creating jobs and opportunities for the hard-working individuals in our community.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations to Mr. Phillips. We wish him the best of luck on his future endeavors on behalf of Katy, TX.

STOP CRUELTY TO MIGRANT CHILDREN ACT

HON. GRACE MENG

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

Ms. MENG. Madam Speaker, I rise to emphasize the urgent need to assist migrant children at our Southern land border. The Trump Administration's treatment of asylum-seeking families at the border is un-American and inhumane.

There have been over 2,500 children separated from their families at our border. Of the 2,500, 1,033 were under the age of ten when they were detained, including 103 that were under five. Last year, I traveled to Texas to see the conditions first-hand. At the McAllen CBP Central Processing Center, I saw children being kept in large cages, most separated from their parents. At the Port Isabel ICE Detention Center, I cried with mothers who had their children taken away from them.

A year later and there are still serious overcrowding and prolonged detention of unaccompanied migrant children. At Rio Grande Valley, 826 of the 2,669 children detained had been held longer than the 72 hours generally permitted under the current CBP standards and the Flores Agreement. Furthermore, children had no access to showers and had not been provided hot meals.

Madam Speaker, no child should have to endure the conditions of the Trump administration's anti-immigrant rhetoric, regardless of their immigration status. UNHCR's High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet, herself said she was "deeply shocked that children are forced to sleep on the floor in overcrowded facilities, without access to adequate healthcare or food, and with poor sanitation conditions." Detention is never in the best interest of any child—and it is heartbreaking to know that these children may have serious damage to their health and development as a result of this Administration's shameful practice.

This is why I am introducing the "Stop Cruelty to Migrant Children Act". This the bill would:

End family separations except in situations where the child is a trafficking victim, not the child of the accompanying adult, or in danger of abuse or neglect.

Set minimum health and safety standards for children and families in Border Patrol Stations; require access to toothbrushes, diapers, soap and showers and other hygiene products; require regular nutritious meals; and ensure a prompt medical assessment by trained medical providers.